

REPORT UNDER
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**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK**

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From: Chief of Patrol

To: Commanding Officers, All Patrol Boroughs

Subject: **HANDOUT FOR OCCUPY WALL STREET DEMONSTRATIONS**

1. In order to maintain professionalism and have basic instructions disseminated to the Uniformed Members of the Service assigned to Occupy Wall Street demonstration(s), the attached handout "*Police Officer's Guidelines at Demonstrations*" will be distributed to **ALL Uniformed Members of the Service on ALL TOURS.**

2. For your **INFORMATION** and **STRICT COMPLIANCE.**

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CHIEF OF PATROL

Police Officer's Guidelines at Demonstrations

1. Officers are reminded that it is vital to **WORK AS A TEAM!!**
2. Do not **act independently**.
3. Officers should **refrain from verbal confrontation** with demonstrators.
4. Ensure that **minimum amount of force necessary** is used to achieve objectives.
5. No unnecessary conversation (with each other and/or demonstrators)
6. Do not become *complacent* regardless of your assignment.
7. No congregating (maintain *proper distances* between officers)
8. Remember everything is on video. Be *professional* at all times.
9. Sidewalks must remain clear to pedestrian traffic (specifically around Zucotti Park)

Required Equipment

- **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE's)** at all times
- **Pepper Spray**
 - Hold pepper spray in upright position
 - Aim and discharge pepper spray into subject's eyes for maximum effectiveness
 - Officers should use two (2) one (1) second bursts at a minimum distance of 3 feet
 - Avoid discharging pepper spray indiscriminately over a large area for disorder control
 - Be aware of other MOS and DO NOT use if other MOS will be incapacitated.
- **Baton and Gloves**
- **Helmet with visor** (available)

Vehicles

- Do not drive through disorder when responding
- Park Department Vehicles in designated areas
- Do not block other vehicle when parking department vehicles

Radio

- Make sure radio is tuned to designated frequency
- **No Unauthorized radio transmissions**

Barriers

- Metal Barriers will be *interlocked* on top and bottom
- Members of the Service should not enter demonstration pens unless extreme emergency or in a Team Led organized fashion

Record important information in memo book:

- Post and or sector boundaries
- Location and phone number of **Command post** and **Arrest Processing Area**

Task Force Officers/Arrest Team responsibilities:

- Each Officer will have at least **5 flex cuffs** available, and be familiar with their operation.
- Make sure you identify your arrestee
 - Know charges of your arrest: **Articulate details: Confer with Supervisor**
 - Know complainant of your arrest
 - Where your arrest is being taken
- All Task Forces have been **supplied with cameras** and should follow Patrol Guide procedure 213-06 (Large Scale Arrest Processing) when making arrests mass arrests, if possible